

19 DEC 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. John S. Warner, Acting General  
Counsel, Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT : Request for Release from Jury Duty

John:

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1. [REDACTED] Deputy Chief of the Theater Forces Division of the Office of Strategic Research has been summoned by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia to appear on 8 January 1974 for a term of jury service. Enclosed is a copy of the summons. I know how important it is that Agency employees meet civic obligations and I know the Agency does not lightly seek to avoid jury duty by its personnel. Nevertheless, there are circumstances in this case which prompt me to ask your help in arranging for [REDACTED] to be excused or deferred.

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2. Currently, and extending into the coming year, this Office is carrying a very heavy responsibility in supporting important U.S. policy and diplomatic efforts. These include the provision of intelligence support to

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are likely to occur in this country and abroad during most of 1974. Meanwhile, the intelligence research and production must continue to be conducted by this Office to provide the substantive basis for U.S. participation in all of these activities.

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3. [REDACTED] as Deputy Chief of OSR's Theater Forces Division, is one of a relatively small number [REDACTED] of OSR professionals involved in this work. We are already stretched thin, and are not in position to fill in behind

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him over more than a few days' time. Accordingly, we ask that an effort be made to excuse [REDACTED] from his scheduled jury duty. STATINTL

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E. H. KNOCHE  
Director  
Strategic Research

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CONCUR:

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//Deputy Director for Intelligence

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